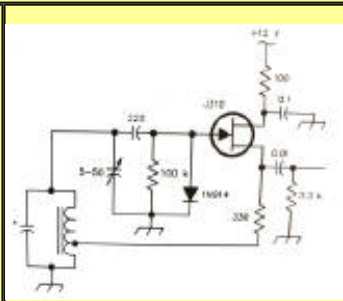


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Coming Events

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Date	Event	Time
Sun	Slow CW Net 3.575	3:30PM
Sun	CW Net 3.375	4:00PM
M - F	6 m FM net 52.540	6:00AM
T, T	Informal meet Wal-Mart (E)	10:00AM
M, W, F	Informal meet Wal-Mart (W)	10:00AM
Mon	WTRA Swap net 146.88	8 PM
Wed	N5BL Net 146.64	6:45PM
Nov 3	Builder's Group - Club House	7 PM
Nov 7	Breakfast - Club House	8 AM
Nov 7	Business - Club House	9 AM
Nov 11	Board meet - Club House	7 PM
Nov 17	Builder's Group - Club House	7 PM
Dec 1	Christmas Dinner - Furr's	6 PM

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THE ARTICLES FOR THIS MONTH

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

KC5HFJ

The usual business meeting will be held on November 07

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CLUB NOTES

KD5SSJ

The club is faced with a leadership problem. Officers are to be elected Saturday (November 7) but almost nobody has volunteered to be nominated for several positions. The duties of officers and board members is rather completely spelled out in the constitution which is readily available on the Internet by clicking "archives" on the page

<http://mvrc.qzxservices.com>.

Many disastrous things can happen without a president, secretary, and treasurer. We do have a vice-presidential candidate, KD5SSJ, Cash. He has indicated that he will continue in that office. Also he has indicated that he will continue to run the Builder's Group, the single most successful ongoing effort the club is undertaking. It would be unfair to ask him to assume additional duties.

Most of the bard members have indicated that they are willing to continue with there present responsibilities. K5XY, Alex, (Newsletter), AD5LJ, Bob, (clubhouse), KE5OFK Rob (repeaters) have indicated that they are willing to carry on with their assigned duties. AD5FE, Henry, and KD5OHA, George, are willing to be co-chairpersons of communications. KE5ZRZ, Evan Salazar, accepted the Education position late in this year and just finished a very successful Technician class the produced 11 new hams and 5 new members . He has agreed to continue in that position. We need a board member to direct special events .

If nobody is willing to assume the responsibilities indicated in the constitution, one possibility is for the board of directors to reduce these responsibilities to the bare minimum and carry on. This procedure could be called unconstitutional but no other alternative has been suggested and, fortunately, there are no penalties mandated for such

actions. However it will mean greatly reduced club activities, reduced membership, and financial difficulties.

The president's job can be reduced to signing official state required reports, the secretary's job can be deduced to almost nothing, and the treasurer could collect dues, pay taxes, insurance, and utilities, and try to keep the books from becoming chaotic.

Of course club activities would quickly run down, Club meetings would dwindle both in content and attendance, The bean feed would be eliminated, and field day would be completely unorganized. Fortunately, there is enough money in the bank to keep the clubhouse and repeater maintained at least for a year.

At the meeting on Saturday, November 7, we must try to fill these positions and finalize a budget. We need a big turnout to show that we have a viable club and make some decisions that will shape the future of the MVRC. A quorum is required to do business on Saturday.

The next board meeting will discuss the above and any other suggestions presented and report briefly to the members at the Christmas party which has miraculously been organized for Tuesday December 1 at 6 PM in the reserved dining room at Furr's cafeteria.

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CHRISTMAS DINNER

The annual Christmas Dinner will be held December 1 at 6 PM in Furr's Cafeteria near Wal-Mart East.

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RACE COMMUNICATIONS

KD5OHA

The next upcoming special event is the Baylor Pass Run Saturday. Nov. 14. I have enough people to cover this event. Sunday Nov. 15 at the Isaac's Ranch sees the Horse Jump competition off of highway 70. I still need six people to help cover this event. The Turkey Trot foot race Thanksgiving Day needs ten people to cover this race. All these positions need to be filled. This will be the last race for 2009. You can contact me to volunteer at 525-1956.

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USE OF AMATEUR RADIO

ARRL

There has been a lot of discussion lately about the appropriate use of amateur radio in non-amateur communications such as our race monitoring and emergency preparation activities. There is no definitive answer but the ARRL has written about the problem. Some of these ideas appear below.

ARRL Board Adopts Guidelines and Recommendations on the Appropriate Use of Amateur Radio.

On Friday, September 25, the ARRL Board of Directors adopted guidelines on the appropriate use of Amateur Radio on behalf of commercial, non-profit and government entities, as well as recommendations for additional steps to be taken by the ARRL to educate radio amateurs and others on how to prepare and train for public service and emergency communications while complying with the current FCC Rules.

At its meeting in July 2009, the ARRL Board created an ad-hoc committee to study the issue and prepare suggested guidelines. The committee submitted its report to the ARRL Executive Committee, which reviewed and revised the document. After additional discussion among Board members by electronic mail and teleconference, the Executive Committee submitted the document to the Board for formal adoption.

Entitled The Commercialization of Amateur Radio: The Rules, The Risks, The Issues, the document offers guidelines to assist radio amateurs and anyone wishing to utilize the capabilities of Amateur Radio in understanding the FCC Rules that prohibit communications in which the amateur has a pecuniary interest, including communications on behalf of an employer.

While the FCC Rules in this regard have not changed in many years, there has been increasing discussion of the issue as growing numbers of employers and non-amateur organizations recognize the value of Amateur Radio as an emergency communications resource and encourage their employees to obtain amateur licenses. Also included are guidelines for evaluating the appropriateness of Amateur Radio volunteers providing communications services to commercial enterprises and other entities for which other communications systems are available.

"The guidelines are not intended to be the last word on the subject, and surely will not be," observed ARRL First Vice President Kay Craigie, N3KN, and chair of the ad-hoc committee. "The report includes several

recommendations for additional steps that the ARRL needs to take to help amateurs and the organizations we serve to better understand the Rules and to ensure that what we do to prepare to be of service in emergencies is consistent with the current Rules."

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A PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 2010 KI5FJ

INCOME	2010 PROPOSED BUDGET (31 Oct 09)	2009 ACTUAL YTD
Bean Feed Food	300	375
Breakfast & Drinks	200.00	500 Drinks only Nov & Dec
Contributions	250.00	943
Dues	2100.00 (60 paying members)	1995
Education Classes		Balance to savings
Equip Sales & Raffles	1635	2083
Bank Interest	20.00	20
Other	0.00	
TOTAL	4505	5916

EXPENSES	2010 PROPOSED BUDGET	2009 ACTUAL YTD
\$\$ = Must Pay \$3485	BUDGET	
Bean Feed	300.00	296
Breakfast & Drinks	200.00	150
Clubhouse	150.00	734
N5BL Domain Due 09 2014	20.00	50
Education Classes		Balance from savings
Field Day	50.00	90
Insurance \$\$	1050.00	900
		Projected

Misc		100.00	125
NM Emergency Fee	\$\$	30.00	30
NM Tax Exempt Fee	\$\$	10.00	10
PO Box Rent	\$\$	70.00	60
Postage	\$\$	50.00	75
			Projected
President's Fund		100.00	207
Property Tax	\$\$	1100.00	1070.46
			Projected
Repeater Maintenance		100.00	523
Electricity	\$\$	500.00	430
			Projected
Propane	\$\$	500.00	550
			Projected
Water	\$\$	175.00	200
			Projected
TOTAL		4505	4759

Projected 2010	Treasurer's Projections for Balance
INCOME	4505
EXPENSES	4505
NET	Balanced Budget !!

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TREASURER'S REPORT
KI5FJ

(October)

INCOME	BUDGET	ACTUAL YTD
Bean Feed Food	400.00	375.00
Breakfast & Drinks	600.00	535
Contributions	250.00	994.44
Dues	2000.00	2245
Education Classes	850.00	1208.13 *
Equip Sales & Raffles	1845.00	2158
Bank Interest	30.00	
Other	0.00	
TOTAL	5975.00	7515.57

EXPENSES	BUDGET	ACTUAL YTD
Bean Feed	300.00	296.72
Breakfast & Drinks	400.00	199.96
Clubhouse	400.00	734.91
N5BL Domain Due 09 2014	20.00	
Education Classes	850.00	929.03 *
Field Day	150.00	90.42
Insurance	1000.00	
Misc	100.00	157.92
NM Emergency Fee	30.00	30.00
NM Tax Exempt Fee	10.00	30.00
PO Box Rent	60.00	60.00
Postage	100.00	37.56
President's Fund	75.00	207.17
Property Tax	800.00	
Repeater Maintenance	600.00	523.70
Electricity	450.00	410.53
Propane	500.00	306.30
Water	150.00	147.78
TOTAL	5995.00	4162.00

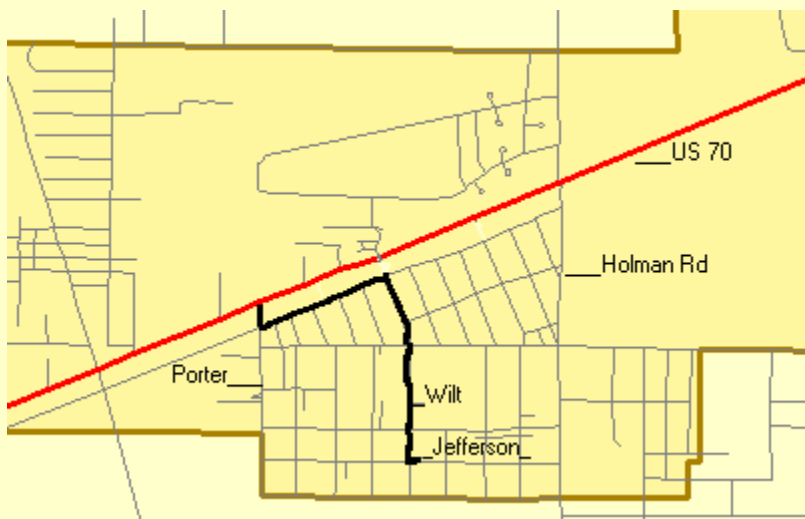
AS OF 31 Oct 2009	
INCOME	7515.57
EXPENSES	4162.00
NET	+3353.57
	* 279.10 for 2010 Classes

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CLUB INFORMATION

The MVRC Clubhouse is located at the intersection of Wilt and Jefferson in Hacienda Heights. To find the clubhouse, set your destination on your GPS receiver as 32 degrees 22.961 minutes and -106 degrees 41.44 minutes. If you don't own a gps, take the Porter exit on US 70. It is about 5 miles from the I 25 interchange, near the firehouse. Almost immediately south of the south frontage road on the south side of US 70, turn left toward the mountains until you come to Wilt. Turn right. There is a jog in the road, but at 0.35 miles you should come to Jefferson. If you can't see the tower and beam, you shouldn't be driving. The treasurer would be delighted to receive your contribution for landscaping and furnishing.



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The newsletter is always looking for articles and notes of interest to the members of the Mesilla Valley Radio Club. Please send them to Alex. F. Burr, K5XY, Editor, MVRC Local Oscillator, 695 Stone Canyon Drive, Las Cruces, NM 88011. Small personal ads from members will also be published. It would be helpful if submissions would be made in a machine readable form. Windows readable disks are welcome. Files can also be sent to the Internet address k5xy@arrl.net. The club maintains a web site at <http://www.zianet.com/mvrc>.

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To join the Mesilla Valley Radio Club, renew your membership, or to support the repeaters, please print, cut out, and complete the form below. Send it with dues (\$35 single, \$45 family per year, add \$10 to receive the newsletter by US mail instead of e-mail) to: Treasurer, MVRC, Box 1443, Las Cruces, NM 88004.

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